



AGRICULTURE IN MONTANA Schools

K-6 GRADE BUMPER STICKER CONTEST - 2010

In recognition of **AG WEEK**, March 14-20, 2010, Agriculture in Montana Schools (AMS) is once again bringing the **AMS BUMPER STICKER CONTEST** to Montana's school children. The contest will be held for K-6 grade students. Eight state winners will be selected from across Montana. There will be one state winner chosen from each grade, K-6. The eighth winner will be chosen from two categories: (1) Previous years' winners, or (2) best overall.

The designated topic for the **FOURTH GRADE** is: "*NOXIOUS WEEDS: A SERIOUS PROBLEM FOR AGRICULTURE IN MONTANA LANDS and/or THEIR IMPACT ON AGRICULTURE IN MONTANA LANDS.*" The Montana Noxious Weed Trust Fund/Montana Statewide Weed Awareness and Education Committee sponsors this topic.

The designated topic for the **SIXTH GRADE** is: "*WATER QUALITY: HOW AGRICULTURE IS HELPING TO PROTECT GROUNDWATER, SURFACE WATER AND WETLANDS.*" The Montana Department of Environmental Quality/Water Quality sponsors this topic.

Some suggested topics for K, 1, 2, 3 and 5 grades are:

- "*FARM ANIMALS*"
- "*AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS FROM FARM TO YOU*"
- "*AGRICULTURAL SLOGANS AND CARICATURES*"
- "*WATER ON THE FARM*"

The contest rules shall be as follows:

1. The format will be a BUMPER STICKER. All entries shall be on 4"x11" good quality paper, suitable for copying.
2. Leave a 1/4" clear border around the edge.
3. A maximum of 15 words may be used.
4. **THE STUDENT'S NAME, GRADE, NAME OF SCHOOL, SCHOOL PHONE NUMBER, TEACHER'S NAME AND COUNTY SHALL BE ON THE BACK, LOWER LEFT-HAND CORNER.**
5. Fourth (4th) grade entries will be limited to the topic specified.
6. Sixth (6th) grade entries will be limited to the topic specified.

Entries will be judged on:

Agricultural Content.....	50%
Neatness	15%
Reproducibility	15%
Originality	20%

Entries shall be submitted to the entrant's County Superintendent of Schools no later than **Friday, Jan. 29, 2010.** Each County Superintendent will choose one county winner from each grade, K-6. The seven county winners will then be submitted by the County Superintendent to AMS by **Feb. 5, 2010.** AMS will choose eight state winners from these entries. **Entries postmarked after the Feb. 5, 2010, deadline will not be judged.**

Each of the state winners will receive a \$50 U.S. Savings Bond, lunch and pictures with the governor in Helena during Ag Week, March 14-20, 2010! The eight winning BUMPER STICKERS will be reproduced for distribution. All entries become the property of AMS.

TEACHERS: School entries are to be delivered to the County Superintendent of Schools office. DO NOT SEND SCHOOL ENTRIES TO AMS — WE WILL NOT ACCEPT MORE THAN 7 ENTRIES FROM EACH COUNTY. PLEASE COORDINATE THE BUMPER STICKER CONTEST WITH THE COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT OR DESIGNATED REPLACEMENT.

Address for inquiries and mailing county winning entries:

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<p>KINDERGARTEN Abby Fraser Liberty County</p>	<p>GRADE 4 Jaden Graveley Broadwater County</p>
<p>GRADE 1 Wyatt Kittelman Carter County</p>	<p>GRADE 5 Tiana Fix Carter County</p>
<p>GRADE 2 Karson Powell Blaine County</p>	<p>GRADE 6 Kourtney Simonson Phillips County</p>
<p>GRADE 3 Ethan Beery McCone County</p>	<p>Overall Winner Sari Robertus Carbon County</p>